

CULTIVATED WILD RICE

Wild Rice is the only cereal grain native to the United States. In 1977, the State Legislature designated wild rice as Minnesota's official State Grain.

The cultivated crop is grown in the northern one-third of the state on an estimated 18,500 acres in the counties of Aitkin, Beltrami, Cass, Clearwater, Crow Wing, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Polk, and Pennington.

In 1998, cultivated wild rice production was 5.8 million processed pounds, down 6% from 1997.

Source: MINNESOTA CULTIVATED WILD RICE COUNCIL

MINNESOTA FERTILIZER USE

Minnesota fertilizer consumption totaled 2.37 million tons for the year ending June 30, 1998, a decrease of 1% from the previous year. Minnesota was the 7th ranking state in total tonnage.

Usage of the primary nutrients is shown on the chart; nitrogen decreased 6% from 1997 and phosphate (P_2O_5) usage was down 11%, while potash (K_2O) usage increased 3%.

Fertilizer consumption represents all commercial fertilizer sold or shipped for farm and non-farm use as fertilizer.

Source: THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN PLANT
FOOD CONTROL OFFICIALS, UNIVERSITY OF
KENTUCKY

MINNESOTA'S USE OF PRIMARY
NUTRIENTS AS FERTILIZER

